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(SBU) POLMILOFF delivered reftel demarches on Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism (GI) to MFA Directorate for Non-Proliferation, Arms Control and Combating Terrorism (DRAFT), on January 24 and 29 respectively. POLMILOFF met with Desk Officers on January 30, to follow-up with MFA interests in GI (coordination with Russian embassy contact was problematic). DRAFT Desk Officer Olivia Predescu said Romania is contemplating having within its Plan of Action convening a GI conference at their Nuclear Fuel Production Facility in Pitesti. They are considering a two-day event that would have regional application and would include a theoretical discussion of nuclear fuel cycle protections and the practice of Critical (nuclear) Infrastructure Protection. One possible element to this program would include a public awareness campaign and tie-ins to other non-proliferation forums. If the MFA decides to move forward on this proposal, they would envision holding the conference in the latter part of 2008. In regards to the Model Guidelines Logistics Workshop (ref. b), the DRAFT GI Desk Officer Nicolae Comanescu confirmed that they will participate.

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